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1. DAR ES SALAAM FRONTLINE SUMMMARCH 26 ISSUED FRONTLINE -
PATRIOTIC FRONT COMMUNIQUE ON RHODESIA. TEXT FOLLOWS:.
2. BEGIN TEXT. QUOTE. THE PRESIDENTS OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA,
THE PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE, THE REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA, AND THE
UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA AND THE CO-LEADERS OF THE PATRIOTIC
FRONT MET IN DAR ES SALAAM BETWEEN MARCH 25 - 26, 1978 TO REVIEW
THE PRESENT STATE OF THE LIBERATION STRUGGLE IN ZIMBABWE AND MAP
OUT THE REQUISITE STRATEGY FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE STRUGGLE.

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3. THEY RECALLED THAT AFRICA AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY HAVE
ALWAYS SUPPORTED THE STAND OF THE PATRIOTIC FRONT AND THE FRONT-LINE
STATES THAT GIVEN THE INTRANSIGENCE OF THE SMITH REGIME, THE ARMED
STRUGGLE WAS THE ONLY RECOURSE FOR THE LIBERATION OF
ZIMBABWE. THIS POSITION ON THE PART OF THE PATRIOTIC FRONT AND
FRONT-LINE STATES HAS NEVER EXCLUDED GENUINE EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE
A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT.

4. THUS, THE PATRIOTIC FRONT AND THE FRONT-LINE STATES ACCEPTED THE INVITATION FROM THE COLONIAL POWER, THE UNITED KINGDOM, TO THE GENEVA CONFERENCE IN 1976. THE CONFERENCE WAS ADJOURNED AT THE REQUEST OF THE U.K. GOVERNMENT IN ORDER TO ALLOW FOR FURTHER CONSULTATIONS. AFTER RECEIVING POSITIVE AND CONSTRUCTIVE VIEWS BOTH FROM THE PATRIOTIC FRONT AND THE FRONT-LINE STATES, THE U.K. UNILATERALLY CALLED OFF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE.

5. CONSEQUENT UPON THIS UNILATERAL CALLING OFF OF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE, THE U.K. PUT FORWARD A FRESH SET OF PROPOSALS AIMED AT ENDING THE RHODESIAN REBELLION AND ACHIEVING INDEPENDENCE FOR HER COLONY. THESE PROPOSALS HAD THE FULL BACKING OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. THEY WERE OFFICIALLY SUBMITTED BY THE U.K. AND U.S. GOVERNMENTS TO THE PATRIOTIC, THE FRONT-LINE STATES AND AFRICA AND WERE ACCEPTED AS A BASIS FOR NEGOTIATIONS. AT THE SAME TIME THESE PROPOSALS WERE FORMALLY SUBMITTED TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND SUBSEQUENTLY AT THE REQUEST OF THE U.K. AND U.S. GOVERNMENTS, THE SECURITY COUNCIL GAVE A MANDATE TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO APPOINT A REPRESENTATIVE TO ENTER INTO DISCUSSIONS WITH THE BRITISH RESIDENT COMMISSIONER DESIGNATE AND THE PARTIES CONCERNED, CONCERNING THE MILITARY AND ASSOCIATED ARRANGEMENTS THAT ARE CONSIDERED NECESSARY TO EFFECT TRANSITION TO MAJORITY RULE.

6. THE U.K. AND U.S. GOVERNMENTS HELD A MEETING IN MALTA IN JANUARY, 1978 WITH THE PATRIOTIC FRONT LEADERS ON THESE PROPOSALS.
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THE U.N. SECRETARY GENERAL'S REPRESENTATIVE AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FRONT-LINE STATES ATTENDED AS OBSERVERS. ALL THE PARTIES AT THE MALTA TALKS AGREED THAT THE MEETING HAD BEEN POSITIVE, AND THAT SIMILAR TALKS SHOULD BE HELD SHORTLY AFTERWARDS.

7. RIGHT FROM THE OUTSET THE ILLEGAL MINORITY AND RACIST REGIME IN THE BRITISH COLONY OF SOUTHERN RHODESIA HAS BEEN OPPOSED TO THE ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS. THE REGIME HAS ENGAGED IN SINISTER MANOEUVRES AIMED AT NEUTRALISING THE PROPOSALS LIFTING THE SANCTIONS IMPOSED BY THE U.N. PERPETUATING THE ILLEGAL MINORITY RULE, CAMOUFLAGING THE COLONIAL WAR AS A CIVIL WAR AND INTERNATIONALISING THE CONFLICT. THESE DIVERSIONARY MANOEUVRES HAVE CULMINATED IN THE SO-CALLED INTERNAL AGREEMENT. THE PATRIOTIC FRONT AND THE FRONT-LINE STATES WHOLLY AND UNRESERVEDLY CONDEMN THIS AGREEMENT. THE "AGREEMENT" HAS ALSO BEEN CONDEMNED AND REJECTED BY THE OAU WHILE THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL HAS DECLARED IT UNACCEPTABLE AND ILLEGAL. HOWEVER, THE FRONT-LINE STATES AND THE PATRIOTIC FRONT HAVE NOTED THAT THE COLONIAL POWER HAS PUBLICLY STATED THAT IT CONSIDERS THE PRESENT REGIME IN THE COLONY OF SOUTHERN RHODESIA TO BE "AS ILLEGAL AS THE PREVIOUS REGIME".

8. THE PATRIOTIC FRONT AND THE FRONT-LINE STATES HAVE HOWEVER NOTED WITH GRAVE CONCERN THAT RATHER THAN CONDEMN THESE SMITH MANOEUVRES WHICH AIM AT DEFEATING THEIR OWN PROPOSALS AND THE CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, THE U.K. AND U.S. GOVERNMENTS HAVE EQUIVOCATED WITH A VIEW TO ABANDONING THEIR PREVIOUS COMMITMENT TO THE PATRIOTIC FRONT, THE FRONT-LINE STATES AND THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON THE ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS.

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9. THE PATRIOTIC FRONT AND THE FRONT-LINE STATES CALL UPON THE BRITISH AND AMERICAN GOVERNMENTS TO MAKE KNOWN THEIR POSITION VIS-A-VIS THEIR OWN PROPOSALS. IF THEY STILL SUPPORT THESE PROPOSALS THEY SHOULD THEN MOVE AHEAD AND CONVENE IN THE SHORTEST TIME POSSIBLE, A MEETING TO FOLLOW UP WHAT WAS AGREED IN MALTA. IF ON THE OTHER HAND, THEY HAVE DECIDED TO ABANDON THEIR COMMITMENT TO THEIR OWN PROPOSALS FOR WHICH THEY HAD REQUESTED AND OBTAINED THE SUPPORT OF THE PATRIOTIC FRONT, THE FRONT-LINE STATES, AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, THEY SHOULD SO DECLARE UNEQUIVOCALLY WITHOUT ANY FURTHER DELAY. IN PARTICULAR THEY SHOULD GO BACK TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL AND MOVE A REVOCATION OF THE MANDATE GIVEN TO THE SECRETARY

GENERAL TO APPOINT A SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE.

10. THE PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES DEMAND AN INTENSIFICATION OF THE
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JUST ARMED STRUGGLE FOR THE LIBERATION OF ZIMBABWE. THE FRONT-LINE
STATES THEREFORE REAFFIRM THEIR TOTAL AND UNWAVERING SUPPORT TO THE
ARMED STRUGGLE BEING WAGED BY THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE UNDER THE
LEADERSHIP OF THE PATRIOTIC FRONT FOR THE ATTAINMENT OF COMPLETE
INDEPENDENCE AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A GENUINE DEMOCRATIC GOVERN-
MENT.

11. THE PATRIOTIC FRONT AND THE FRONT-LINE STATES APPEAL TO THE
OAU, TO ALL PROGRESSIVE AND ANTI-COLONIALIST STATES AND FORCES OF
THE WORLD TO REAFFIRM THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE NATIONAL LIBERATION
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